

CHAPTER 16

ON-SITE SEWAGE ORDINANCE

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16-1 Purpose

The purpose of this Ordinance is to preserve public health and prevent pollution and to secure the sanitary protection of waters. This Ordinance is intended to ensure that sewage is discharged into an approved sewage treatment system and to accomplish the following:

- (a) Prevent the creation of health hazards which include, but are not limited to surfacing sewage and contaminated drinking water, groundwater and surface water;
- (b) Ensure adequate drainage related to the proper function of sewage disposal;
- (c) Ensure that facilities are designed, constructed, operated, and maintained in a manner which will promote sanitary and healthful conditions.

16-2 Statutory Authority

This Ordinance has been promulgated under the authority granted the Town's Legislative Body by V.S.A., Title 24, Chapter 102 (On-Site Sewage Systems).

16-3 Definitions

- 1) *Applicant*** -The legal owner or authorized agent of the property requiring a Subsurface Sewage Disposal System permit.
- 2) *Minor Modification*** - Generally understood to include work on or replacement of the septic tank or the piping between the septic tank and the pump chamber or distribution box, and modifications on a case-by-case basis.
- 3) *Subsurface Sewage Disposal System Permit*** -A written authorization issued by the Town.
- 4) *Person*** - Any institution, public or private corporation, individual, partner-ship, or other entity.
- 5) *Seasonal Dwellings*** -A seasonal building, tent, hut or camp not suitable for use as a primary dwelling, but suitable for use only occasionally or seasonally and occupied less than six months a year.
- 6) *Sewage*** -Sanitary waste or used water from any building, including but not limited to carriage water, shower and wash water, and process waste water.
- 7) *Sewage Disposal System*** -System for the disposal of waste, gray water and effluent using soil as a disposal medium, including a tank for collection of solids and leach area for liquids or any other system which disposes of waste water on site. This shall include multiple family, commercial and industrial on-site disposal systems, as well as individual single family homes.
- 8) *Sewage Officer*** -The legally designated authority of the Town acting under authority of this Ordinance. The Sewage Officer shall be the same person as the Health Officer and shall be appointed by the Selectboard.
- 9) *Single Family Dwelling*** -Separate living quarters with cooking, sleeping and sanitary facilities provided within a dwelling unit for the use of a single family maintaining a household.
- 10) *Small Scale Wastewater Treatment and Disposal Rules ("Rules")*** - Effective August 8, 1996, promulgated by the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation. These Rules are incorporated into this Ordinance by reference.

16-4 Requirements

- a) Any repair, alteration, replacement or construction of any on-site sewage disposal system in the Town of Manchester needs a permit. All sewage disposal systems shall be built, altered, repaired and used in accordance with this Ordinance. This includes, but is not limited to, sewage disposal systems for seasonal dwellings, single and multiple family homes, and commercial and industrial properties.**

16-5 Residential Uses

(a) New Single Family Residential Construction

(1) Applicability: A permit is required prior to the construction of any structure that generates sewage and requires an on-site sewage disposal system. Construction is understood to include foundation and footing excavation. Construction shall include site work which involves or affects any portion of a proposed sewage disposal system or water supply facility for the structure.

(2) Submission requirements: The owner of any property, the useful occupancy of which requires a sewage disposal system, shall apply for a Subsurface Sewage Disposal System permit. The owner or authorized agent of any property on which a sewage disposal system is proposed to be built shall apply for a Subsurface Sewage Disposal System permit prior to initiating any construction. The application shall contain soil and site information as required by the Vermont Small Scale Wastewater Treatment and Disposal Rules (see definitions) and a design for a disposal system and a replacement system. The flow quantities and the disposal system design shall be as specified by the Vermont Small Scale Wastewater Treatment and Disposal Rules. Wells must be properly isolated from septic systems, in accordance with the "Rules". No reduction in the size of mound systems shall be permitted.

If the parcel has been subject to state subdivision regulations, the state subdivision permit shall also be included in the submission.

(3) Review Procedure: All applications shall be reviewed by the Town's Sewage Officer. Such review may include site and test pit evaluation and shall require review of all paperwork submitted. The applicant shall provide adequate lead time to ensure that the Town's Sewage Officer has adequate time to conduct a full review of the submitted materials prior to construction.

The Town's Sewage Officer shall review the site evaluation and proposed design to determine compliance with the minimum standards of this Ordinance.

(4) Consultant's qualifications: Technical information for the application shall be prepared by a certified Site Technician (A or B, practicing within the limits of their license) or a professional engineer registered in the State of Vermont and practicing in his/her discipline.

(5) Final Inspection: The Sewage Officer or his/her designee, shall inspect all systems before they are covered with soil. The Sewage Officer may request to inspect systems at different stages during installation. The Town shall receive a minimum of 48 hours notice for a final inspection. A qualified designer shall submit a final inspection report to the Sewage Officer. Such report shall certify that the disposal system has been installed as approved or variations from the approved design shall be noted in the report. The Sewage Officer shall annotate the Subsurface Sewage Disposal Permit when satisfied with the new sewage system. The newly constructed dwelling may not be occupied until the final inspection has been completed.

(b) Residential Replacement Areas

Before a failed system is replaced, it is important that the cause of failure be determined to assure that a subsequent failure is avoided.

A Subsurface Sewage Disposal System Permit must be obtained prior to installing a replacement system. A Final Inspection shall be performed within a reasonable period of time following the installation of the system.

Existing single family dwelling, sewage disposal systems in operation at the time of adoption of this Ordinance are approved, provided that such systems do not create a health hazard, nuisance or pollute surface or groundwater.

Whether an existing system is causing a health hazard, nuisance or is polluting surface or ground water shall be determined by the Sewage Officer. Existing systems determined to be a health hazard, nuisance or polluting surface or ground water shall be upgraded to meet the standards of this Ordinance to the extent possible.

(1) Existing Single Family residences with a failed subsurface sewage disposal system which have a replacement area approved through the State Subdivision regulations.

Replacement systems for single family homes which have an approved replacement or continuous area shall be installed in the approved area in accordance with the original permit issued unless a new location meeting the current standards can be approved. The replacement septic system shall, at a minimum, meet the standards in effect when the original system was permitted. Applicants are encouraged to take advantage of improved design technology, where applicable.

(a)Applicability: A permit is required prior to any alteration, repair, replacement, construction or reconstruction of any existing sewage disposal system. Construction shall include site work which involves or affects any portion of an existing or sewage disposal system or water supply facility to the structure. No sewage disposal system shall be altered, repaired, or rebuilt in any way except as provided in section 16-10 (Minor Projects) until a Subsurface Sewage Disposal permit has been issued.

(b)Submission requirements: The owner or authorized agent of any property, the useful occupancy of which requires a replacement sewage disposal system, shall apply for a Subsurface Sewage Disposal System Permit prior to the repair, replacement, alteration or reconstruction of an existing sewage disposal system. The application shall contain soil and site information as required by the Vermont Small Scale Wastewater Treatment and Disposal Rules (see definitions) and a design on a site plan drawn to an appropriate scale, and design calculations for a replacement system. The flow quantities and the disposal system design shall be as specified by the Vermont Small Scale Wastewater Treatment and Disposal Rules or in accordance with the original subdivision permit. Wells must be properly isolated from septic systems, in accordance with the "Rules". No reduction in the size of mound systems shall be permitted.

If the parcel has been subject to state subdivision regulations, the state permit shall also be included in the submission to demonstrate compliance with the approved replacement area.

(c) Review Procedure: All applications shall be reviewed by the Town's Sewage Officer. Such review may include site and test pit evaluation and shall require review of all paperwork submitted. The applicant shall provide adequate lead time to ensure that the Town's Sewage Officer has time to conduct a full review of the submitted materials prior to construction.

The Town's Sewage Officer shall review the site evaluation and proposed design to determine compliance with the minimum standards of this Ordinance.

(d) Consultant's qualifications: Technical information for the application shall be prepared by a certified Site Technician (A or B, practicing within the limits of their license) or a professional engineer registered in the State of Vermont and practicing in his/her discipline.

(e) Final Inspection: The Sewage Officer or his/her designee, shall inspect all systems before they are covered with soil. The Sewage Officer may request to inspect systems at different stages during installation. The Town shall receive a minimum of 48 hours notice for a final inspection. A qualified designer shall submit a final inspection report to the Sewage Officer. Such report shall certify that the disposal system has been installed as approved or variations from the approved design shall be noted in the report. The Sewage Officer shall annotate the Subsurface Sewage Disposal Permit when satisfied with the installed sewage system. Existing dwellings which require a replacement system may continue to be occupied provided a Final Inspection is obtained within a reasonable period of time from commencement of installation of the system. The Sewage Officer shall decide what is a reasonable amount of time.

(2) Existing Single Family residences with a failed subsurface sewage disposal system on a substandard or non-complying parcel or with no previously approved replacement area.

The intent of this section is to improve the functionality of replacement septic systems that are intended for parcels that have not been subject to soils analysis or previous review. Wherever possible, the replacement field shall comply with the standards of the Vermont Small Scale Wastewater Treatment and Disposal Rules (see definitions). The replacement system shall be designed and installed with the minimum variance from the Rules possible. There are cases however where small lots, wet lots, steep lots or lots otherwise not complying with the minimum standards of the Vermont Small Scale Wastewater Treatment and Disposal Rules will require the installation of a replacement sewage disposal field. The intent is to provide the most practical solution possible without causing undue hardship to those landowners.

(a) Applicability A permit is required prior to any alteration, repair, replacement, construction or reconstruction of any existing sewage disposal system. Construction shall include site work which involves or effects any portion of an existing or sewage disposal system or water supply facility to the structure. No sewage disposal system shall be altered, repaired, or rebuilt in any way except as provided in section 16-10 (Minor Projects) until a Subsurface Sewage Disposal Permit has been issued.

(b) Submission requirements: The owner or authorized agent of any property, the useful occupancy of which requires a replacement sewage disposal system, shall apply for a Subsurface Sewage Disposal System Permit prior to the repair, replacement, alteration or reconstruction of an existing sewage disposal system. The application shall include a design for a replacement disposal system. The flow quantities shall be as specified by the Vermont Small Scale Wastewater Treatment and Disposal Rules or at a minimum, the new system shall be of the same size (in square feet), as the previous failed system. The clear intent is to improve the situation where strict adherence to groundwater separation, ledge, setbacks, etc., is not attainable due to lot size, location or other physical constraints. Applicants are encouraged to take advantage of improved design technology. Wells must be properly isolated from septic systems, in accordance with the Vermont Small Scale Wastewater Treatment and Disposal Rules.

(c) Review Procedure: All applications shall be reviewed by the Town's Sewage Officer. Such review may include site and test pit evaluation and shall require review of all paperwork submitted. The applicant shall provide adequate lead time to ensure that the Town's Sewage Officer has time to conduct a full review of the submitted materials prior to construction.

The Town's Sewage Officer shall review the site evaluation and proposed design to determine compliance with the standards of this Ordinance.

(d) Consultant's qualifications: Technical information for the application shall be prepared by a certified Site Technician (A or B, practicing within the limits of their license) or a professional engineer registered in the State of Vermont and practicing in his/her discipline . *

(e) Final Inspection: The Sewage Officer or his/her designee, shall inspect all systems before they are covered with soil. The Sewage Officer may request to inspect systems at different stages during installation. The Town shall receive a minimum of 48 hours notice for a final inspection. A qualified designer shall submit a final inspection report to the Sewage Officer. Such report shall certify that the disposal system has been installed as approved or variations from the approved design shall be noted in the report.

The Sewage Officer shall annotate the Subsurface Disposal Permit when satisfied with the installed sewage system. Existing dwellings which require a replacement system may be occupied provided a Final Inspection is obtained within a reasonable period of time from commencement of installation of the system. The Sewage Officer shall decide what is a reasonable amount of time.

16-6 Seasonal Dwellings

(a) Any seasonal dwelling constructed after the enactment of this Ordinance must receive a disposal system construction permit meeting the full minimum standards of Section 16-5(a) (New Single Family Residential Construction), if the useful occupancy of the seasonal dwelling includes running water.

*4/24/01 - eliminated transitional provision allowing for contractors to design systems.

(b) All seasonal dwellings constructed after the enactment of this Ordinance, which will not have plumbing and which shall have no running water at any time, still need a Subsurface Sewage Disposal Permit as described under Section 16-10 (Minor Projects). Properly sealed vaults, privies, outhouses and similar facilities may be used provided they meet the isolation distances established in the Small Scale Wastewater Treatment and Disposal Rules, Appendix (1-7D) for disposal fields. The Sewage Officer shall determine if proper isolation distances are maintained. A permit shall be obtained prior to contracting for, or installation of, vaults, privies, outhouses or similar facilities.

(c) A seasonal dwelling constructed prior to enactment of this Ordinance shall not be required to have a sewage disposal system provided no health hazard, nuisance or surface or groundwater pollution exists. The Sewage Officer shall determine if such conditions do exist. If such conditions exist, a disposal system shall be installed or upgraded to meet the standards of this Ordinance to the extent possible or the running water shall be removed and the generation of sewage ended.

(d) The use of any seasonal dwelling shall not be changed until the requirements of Section 16-9 (Change of Use), are met.

16-7 Multi-family, Commercial or Industrial Uses. New And Replacement Systems.

(a) Applicability: A permit is required prior to the construction of any structure that generates waste and requires an on-site sewage disposal system. Construction is understood to include construction, reconstruction, conversion, structural alteration, relocation or enlargement of any structure including foundation, excavation. Construction shall include site work which involves or effects any portion of an existing or sewage disposal system or water supply facility to the structure or any additional bedrooms or change in the use of the structure. No sewage disposal system shall be altered, repaired, or rebuilt in any way except as provided in section 16-10 (Minor Projects) until a Subsurface Sewage Disposal Permit has been issued.

(b) Submission requirements: The owner or authorized agent of any property on which a new or replacement sewage disposal system is proposed to be built, altered, replaced or reconstructed, shall apply for a Subsurface Sewage Disposal System Permit. The application shall contain soil and site information as required by the Vermont Small Scale Wastewater Treatment and Disposal Rules (see definitions) and shall include a design on a site plan drawn to an appropriate scale and design calculations. A copy of the State Waste Water/Water Supply Permit shall also be included in the submission. The basis for the disposal system design shall be based upon peak flows as determined in 1-7A of the Vermont Small Scale Wastewater Treatment and Disposal Rules, and the system shall be designed as specified by the Rules. Wells must be properly isolated from septic systems, in accordance with the Rules. No reduction in the size of mound systems shall be permitted.

(c) Review Procedure: All applications shall be reviewed by the Town's Sewage Officer. Such review may include site and test pit evaluation and shall require review of all paperwork submitted. The applicant shall provide adequate lead time to ensure that the Town's Sewage Officer has time to conduct a full review of the submitted materials prior to construction. The Town's Sewage Officer shall review the site evaluation and proposed design to determine compliance with the minimum standards of this Ordinance.

(d) Consultant's qualifications: Technical information for the application shall be prepared by a professional engineer registered in the State of Vermont and practicing in his/her discipline.

(e) Final Inspection: The Sewage Officer or his/her designee, shall inspect all systems before they are covered with soil. The Sewage Officer may request to inspect systems at different stages during installation. The Town shall receive a minimum of 48 hours notice for a final inspection. A qualified designer shall submit a final inspection report to the Sewage Officer. Such report shall certify that the disposal system has been installed as approved or variations from the approved design shall be noted in the report. The Sewage Officer shall annotate the Subsurface Disposal Permit when satisfied with the installed sewage system. A new structure may not be occupied until the Final Inspection has been completed. Existing dwellings which require a replacement system may be occupied provided a Final Inspection is obtained within a reasonable period of time from commencement of installation of the system. The Sewage Officer shall decide what is a reasonable amount of time.

16-8 Permitted Deviations

At the discretion of the Selectboard, and authorized in writing, deviations from the design specifications in Sections 1-706, Building Sewers, Sewer Collection System and Lift Stations, and 1-708, Disposal Fields, of the Vermont Small Scale Wastewater Treatment And Disposal Rules may be allowed. Such deviations will only be allowed if the minimum soil and site requirements and the performance standards of the Vermont Small Scale Wastewater Treatment And Disposal Rules will be met, or as described under section 16-5(2) Residential Replacement Areas on Substandard or Non-complying Parcels.

Innovative sewage disposal systems which have an approved Innovative Systems Permit from the Department of Environmental Conservation may be approved by the Sewage Officer.

All subsurface septic systems installed prior to the date of the adoption of this Ordinance are considered "grandfathered" with respect to Final Inspection by the Town's Sewage Officer. All other inspections as required by state permit conditions are not included in this exemption.

16-9 Changes of Use

(a) Change of use shall include, but is not limited to, the addition of plumbing or running water to a seasonal dwelling, the addition of bedrooms in all dwellings, conversion of seasonal dwellings to single family or multiple family residential structures or conversion of single family residential structures to multiple or commercial or industrial use. Changes of use (other than changes from seasonal use to year round uses) where design flows are reduced from previous flows, shall not require review. The determination regarding increased or decreased flows shall be made in accordance with appendix 1-7A of the Vermont Small Scale Wastewater Treatment and Disposal Rules.

(b) No structure shall be altered in any way so as to change the use of the structure unless the sewage disposal system and all proposed alterations meet the standards of this Ordinance.

16-10 Minor Modifications and Projects

Simplified application process for minor modifications and structures not requiring a sewage disposal system.

The Owner or authorized agent of any property intending to construct any structure, the useful occupancy of which shall not require running water, or generates sewage, shall make an application for a Subsurface Sewage Disposal Permit on the prescribed form and describe it as a "Minor Project". Vault or pit privies shall receive a Subsurface Sewage Disposal Permit prior to installation (See Section 16-6, Seasonal Dwellings). Such application shall contain sufficient information to enable the Sewage Officer to evaluate the project. Application shall be made prior to commencement of construction. Such minor projects shall not include changes of use as described in Section 16-9, Changes Of Use.

When a minor modification (see Section 16-3, Definitions) to an existing system for a single family dwelling is proposed, the Sewage Officer may waive the Subsurface Sewage Disposal Permit requirement on a case-by-case basis. Relative to the work performed, the waiver shall meet the requirements of The Small Scale Wastewater Treatment and Disposal Rules for new construction. The Sewage Officer will determine what constitutes a minor modification.

Subject to this section, contractors may perform minor modifications to existing subsurface sewage disposal systems without the requirement for a design from a qualified consultant.

16-11 Terms and Conditions

If the disposal system is not constructed within two (2) years of the date the Subsurface Sewage Disposal System Permit was issued, the permit must be renewed before being valid. Renewal shall occur prior to the time of construction of the disposal system. The Sewage Officer can set terms and condition(s) on the renewal permit. The permit may be renewed when the applicant submits a report to the Sewage Officer that verifies the original permit conditions can be met, including, but not limited to, site conditions and water supplies. The Sewage Officer may request the applicant to submit a recommendation prepared by a qualified consultant if additional information is needed to certify that site conditions have not changed, and that the original permit conditions can be met. Permits shall be renewed unless they are found to be based on false, fraudulent or misleading information, or the original permit conditions can no longer be met.

Subsurface Sewage Disposal System permits denied renewal are void. A new application must be made for a Subsurface Sewage Disposal System permit. The Ordinance in effect at the time of application shall apply to this new permit.

Conditions of construction or use may be placed on the Subsurface Sewage Disposal System Permit or at the time of Final Inspection.

Any existing and unused Subsurface Disposal System Permits issued prior to the enactment of this ordinance are considered valid.

All permits run with the land and are binding upon each and subsequent owner(s). Within thirty days of issuance of a Subsurface Sewage Disposal System permit, the Sewage Officer shall file the permit or a notice of the permit in the Town land records in accordance with Act 125 (The "Bianchi Bill").

Easements for off-lot sewage disposal systems must be conveyed to the permittee and recorded in the land records of both the conveyor and the permittee prior to issuance of a construction permit.

16-12 Composting Toilets and Other Water Saving Devices

Water conservation is strongly encouraged, as it will increase the life of septic systems.

Properly sealed vault privies, outhouses and similar facilities may be used provided they meet the isolation distances established in the Small Scale Wastewater Treatment and Disposal Rules, Appendix 1-7D for disposal fields. The Sewage Officer shall determine if proper isolation distances are maintained. A permit shall be obtained prior to contracting for, or installation of, vault privies, outhouses or similar facilities.

All sewage generated in a residence using water-less toilets shall be conveyed, treated, and disposed of in the same manner as other sewage, as provided for in this Ordinance which includes obtaining a Subsurface Sewage Disposal System Permit and Certificate of Compliance. For residences permitted to use water-less toilets, the leach field for the septic system may be reduced in size by 35%, provided sufficient area exists to expand the field to full size should conventional toilets be installed, and a full size replacement area is identified and reserved. Mound systems may not be reduced in size.

Pit privies will not normally be approved, but may be considered on a case-by-case basis, if they meet all the isolation distances and separation from groundwater and bedrock, ledge, and impermeable soil applicable to leach fields.

16-13 Revocation of Permits

A Subsurface Sewage Disposal System Permit or Final Inspection may be revoked by the Selectboard for any of the following reasons:

- (a) False, fraudulent, or misleading information contained in the permit application.**
- (b) Installation of a system which does not comply with the conditions of the permit.**
- (c) Alteration of the proposed septic system site or replacement areas including effluent dispersion areas so that the proposed septic system does not comply with this Ordinance.**
- (d) Information which shows the proposed septic system will not comply with this Ordinance, including, but not limited to, insufficient isolation distances to water supplies.**
- (e) Failure to comply with this Ordinance or any terms or conditions of permits issued under this Ordinance.**

Request for Revocation: A written request for revocation shall be addressed to the Selectboard and shall set forth the name and address of the permittee, the name and address of the person requesting revocation, and a brief statement outlining the basis for revocation of permit.

The Selectboard shall notify the permit holder in writing of a request for revocation of permit within 72 hours of its official receipt by the Board.

Receipt of the petition shall initiate the revocation procedure. The Selectboard shall hold a hearing within thirty (30) days of receiving a revocation request.

The Selectboard shall render a decision within fifteen (15) days of the conclusion of the hearing.

The Selectboard shall give the permit holder written notice of revocation of the permit within 72 hours of revocation. All sewage disposal system work must cease immediately upon notification of revocation of permit.

16-14 Appeals

Any applicant aggrieved by a decision of the Sewage Officer may appeal that decision in writing to The Selectboard within thirty (30) days of such decision. The Selectboard shall hold a hearing within thirty (30) days of such an appeal and shall render a decision within fifteen (15) days after the close of the hearing. Following a Selectboard's decision, any person aggrieved by a decision of the Selectboard may appeal that decision to Superior Court. The administrative process must be exhausted before appeal to Superior Court.

16-15 Fees and Forms

Permit fees shall be paid in full at the time of application in accordance with the following fee schedule:

Minor Modifications: \$15.00 flat fee.

Permit Renewal No charge.

All other applications: \$.10 per estimated G.P.D. (gallons per day). G.P.D. estimates shall be calculated based upon "Design Flow Quantities" as set forth in Table 1 of the Environmental Protection Rules Chapter 1 Wastewater System and Potable Water Supply Rules.*

Application shall be on a form prescribed and approved by The Selectboard and certified as correct by the applicant.

* 4/5/05 Table added.

Table 1
Design Flow for Residential Units

- a. The design flow for single family residential units shall be calculated on the following requirements:
- 1) The design flow for each person shall be 70 gallons per person per day.
 - 2) The first three bedrooms shall be assumed to have two persons per bedroom.
 - 3) Each additional bedroom may be assumed to have one person per bedroom. When a building will be subject to rental use or when it is likely there will be extended or frequent high occupancy use, the system should be sized for at least 2 persons per bedroom; and
 - 4) The design flow for a single-family residence on its own individual lot shall be based on a minimum of three bedrooms.
- b. When five or more single family residential units are connected to a single soil-based disposal system, a designer may choose to use the following design flows that are based only on the number of residential units without regard for the number of bedrooms.

Number of Single Family Units	Project Design Flow
5 units	1575 gallons per day
6 units	1830 gallons per day
7 units	2065 gallons per day
8 units	2280 gallons per day
9 units	2565 gallons per day
10 units	2800 gallons per day
11 units	3036 gallons per day
12 units	3264 gallons per day
13 units	3484 gallons per day
14 units	3696 gallons per day
15 units	3900 gallons per day
16 units	4112 gallons per day
17 units	4369 gallons per day
18 units	4518 gallons per day
19 units	4712 gallons per day
20 units	4900 gallons per day
20+ units	# of units x 245 gallons per day

Note: Single family residential units with only one bedroom, such as condominiums and apartment buildings will not benefit from the use of the design flows listed above. Single family residential units, with two bedrooms each, will benefit from use of the table when 11 or more units are connected to a single soil based disposal system.

Note: Wastewater disposal systems with a design capacity of 6500 GPD or more may also require an Indirect Discharge Permit.

- c. Single family residential units connected to a wastewater disposal system with a design capacity of at least 50,000 gallons may use a design flow of 210 gallons per unit per day, regardless of the number of bedrooms.

16-16 Civil Designation

A violation of this Ordinance shall be a civil matter enforced in accordance with the provisions of 24 V.S.A. § 1974a and 1977 et seq.

16-17 Penalties

Any person found to be in violation of any provision of this Ordinance, shall be subject to fines of \$500. Each day that the violation continues shall constitute a separate violation. The waiver fee shall be established at \$250.

16-18 Enforcement

The issuing officials authorized to enforce this ordinance shall be the Town's Sewage Officer or Assistant Sewage Officer.

16-19 Severability

If any part or parts of this Ordinance are for any reason held to be invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

Approval of any sewage disposal system design and installation by the granting of a Disposal System Construction Permit and Final Inspection shall not imply that the approved system will be free from malfunction. Proper maintenance of septic systems is vital to their proper functioning. The provisions of this Ordinance shall not create liability on the part of the Town, or any Town official, or employee for the sewage disposal system.

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